

# Crypto Application

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# Chapter 2

## Crypto Release Notes

The Crypto Application provides functions for computation of message digests, and encryption and decryption functions.

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### 2.1 Crypto Release Notes

This document describes the changes made to the Crypto application.

#### 2.1.1 Crypto 1.2.2

##### Improvements and New Features

- Corrected error handling. If the port to the driver that crypto uses is unexpectedly closed (which should not happen during normal operation of crypto), crypto will terminate immediately (rather than crashing the next time crypto is used). Also corrected build problems on Mac OS X.  
Own Id: OTP-5279

#### 2.1.2 Crypto 1.2.1

##### Fixed Bugs and Malfunctions

- It was not possible in R9 to relink the crypto driver. The object file was missing as well as an example makefile. The crypto driver object file is now released with the application (installed in `priv/obj`). An example makefile has also been added to the `priv/obj` directory. The makefile serves as an example of how to relink the driver on Unix (`crypto_drv.so`) or Windows (`crypto_drv.dll`).  
Own Id: OTP-4828 Aux Id: seq8193

### 2.1.3 Crypto 1.2

#### Improvements and New Features

- Previous versions of Crypto were delivered with statically linked binaries based on SSLeay. That is not longer the case. The current version of Crypto requires dynamically linked OpenSSL libraries that the user has to install. The library needed is `libcrypto.so` (Unix) or `libeay32.[lib|dll]` (Win32). For further details see the `crypto(6)` application manual page.
- This version of Crypto uses the new DES interface of OpenSSL 0.9.7, which is not backward compatible with earlier versions of OpenSSL.
- The functions `des_ede3_cbc_encrypt/5` and `des_ede3_cbc_decrypt/5` have been renamed to `des3_cbc_encrypt/5` and `des3_cbc_decrypt/5`, respectively. The old functions have been retained (they are deprecated and not listed in the `crypto(3)` manual page).

#### Reported Fixed Bugs and Malfunctions

- The start of `crypto` failed on Windows, due to erroneous addition of a DES3 algorithm.  
Own Id: OTP-4684  
Aux Id: seq7864

### 2.1.4 Crypto 1.1.3

#### Reported Fixed Bugs and Malfunctions

- To obtain backward compatibility with the old SSLeay package, and with earlier versions of OpenSSL, the macro `OPENSSL_DES_LIBDES_COMPATIBILITY` has been added to `crypto_drv.c`. This is of importance only for the open source version of Crypto.

### 2.1.5 Crypto 1.1.2

#### Reported Fixed Bugs and Malfunctions

- In the manual page `crypto(3)` the function names `md5_finish` and `sha_finish` have been changed to `md5_final` and `sha_final` to correctly document the implementation. Own Id: OTP-3409

### 2.1.6 Crypto 1.1.1

Code replacement in runtime is supported. Upgrade can be done from from version 1.1 and downgrade to version 1.1.

#### Improvements and New Features

- The driver part of the Crypto application has been updated to use the `erl_driver` header file. Version 1.1.1 requires emulator version 4.9.1 or later.

## 2.1.7 Crypto 1.1

### Reported Fixed Bugs and Malfunctions

- On Windows the crypto\_drv was incorrectly linked to static run-time libraries instead of dynamic ones. Own Id: OTP-3240

## 2.1.8 Crypto 1.0

New application.



# Crypto Reference Manual

## Short Summaries

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## crypto

No functions are exported.

## crypto

The following functions are exported:

- `start()` -> `ok`  
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- `stop()` -> `ok`  
[page 13] Stop the crypto server.
- `info()` -> `[atom()]`  
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- `des3_cbc_decrypt(Key1, Key2, Key3, IVec, Cipher) -> Text`  
[page 16] Decrypt Cipher according to DES in CBC mode

# crypto

## Application

The purpose of the Crypto application is to provide message digest and DES encryption for SMNPv3. It provides computation of message digests MD5 and SHA, and CBC-DES encryption and decryption.

## Configuration

The following environment configuration parameters are defined for the Crypto application. Refer to `application(3)` for more information about configuration parameters.

`debug = true | false <optional>` Causes debug information to be written to standard error or standard output. Default is `false`.

## OpenSSL libraries

The current implementation of the Erlang Crypto application is based on the *OpenSSL* package version 0.9.7 or higher. There are source and binary releases on the web.

Source releases of OpenSSL can be downloaded from the OpenSSL<sup>1</sup> project home page, or mirror sites listed there.

The same URL also contains links to some compiled binaries and libraries of OpenSSL (see the `Related/Binaries` menu) of which the Shining Light Productions Win32 and OpenSSL<sup>2</sup> pages are of interest for the Win32 user.

For some Unix flavours there are binary packages available on the net.

If you cannot find a suitable binary OpenSSL package, you have to fetch an OpenSSL source release and compile it.

You then have to compile and install the library `libcrypto.so` (Unix), or the library `libeay32.dll` (Win32).

For Unix The `crypto_drv` dynamic driver is delivered linked to OpenSSL libraries in `/usr/local/lib`, but the default dynamic linking will also accept libraries in `/lib` and `/usr/lib`.

If that is not applicable to the particular Unix operating system used, the example `Makefile` in the `Crypto priv/obj` directory, should be used as a basis for relinking the final version of the port program.

For Win32 it is only required that the library can be found from the `PATH` environment variable, or that they reside in the appropriate `SYSTEM32` directory; hence no particular relinking is need. Hence no example `Makefile` for Win32 is provided.

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<sup>1</sup>URL: <http://www.openssl.org>

<sup>2</sup>URL: <http://www.shininglightpro.com/search.php?searchname=Win32+OpenSSL>

## SEE ALSO

application(3)

# crypto

Erlang Module

This module provides a set of cryptographic functions.

References:

- md5: The MD5 Message Digest Algorithm (RFC 1321)
- sha: Secure Hash Standard (FIPS 180-1)
- hmac: Keyed-Hashing for Message Authentication (RFC 2104)
- des: Data Encryption Standard (FIPS 46-2)
- ecb, cbc, cfb, ofb: DES modes of operation (FIPS 81).

*Types*

```
byte() = 0 ... 255
ioelem() = byte() | binary() | iolist()
iolist() = [ioelem()]
```

## Exports

`start()` -> `ok`

Starts the crypto server.

`stop()` -> `ok`

Stops the crypto server.

`info()` -> [`atom()`]

Provides the available crypto functions in terms of a list of atoms.

`md5(Data)` -> `Digest`

Types:

- `Data` = `iolist()` | `binary()`
- `Digest` = `binary()`

Computes an MD5 message digest from `Data`, where the length of the digest is 128 bits (16 bytes).

`md5_init()` -> `Context`

Types:

- Context = binary()

Creates an MD5 context, to be used in subsequent calls to md5\_update/2.

md5\_update(Context, Data) -> NewContext

Types:

- Data = iolist() | binary()
- Context = NewContext = binary()

Updates an MD5 Context with Data, and returns a NewContext.

md5\_final(Context) -> Digest

Types:

- Context = Digest = binary()

Finishes the update of an MD5 Context and returns the computed MD5 message digest.

sha(Data) -> Digest

Types:

- Data = iolist() | binary()
- Digest = binary()

Computes an SHA message digest from Data, where the length of the digest is 160 bits (20 bytes).

sha\_init() -> Context

Types:

- Context = binary()

Creates an SHA context, to be used in subsequent calls to sha\_update/2.

sha\_update(Context, Data) -> NewContext

Types:

- Data = iolist() | binary()
- Context = NewContext = binary()

Updates an SHA Context with Data, and returns a NewContext.

sha\_final(Context) -> Digest

Types:

- Context = Digest = binary()

Finishes the update of an SHA Context and returns the computed SHA message digest.

md5\_mac(Key, Data) -> Mac

Types:

- Key = Data = iolist() | binary()
- Mac = binary()

Computes an MD5 MAC message authentication code from Key and Data, where the length of the Mac is 128 bits (16 bytes).

`md5_mac_96(Key, Data) -> Mac`

Types:

- Key = Data = `iolist()` | `binary()`
- Mac = `binary()`

Computes an MD5 MAC message authentication code from Key and Data, where the length of the Mac is 96 bits (12 bytes).

`sha_mac(Key, Data) -> Mac`

Types:

- Key = Data = `iolist()` | `binary()`
- Mac = `binary()`

Computes an SHA MAC message authentication code from Key and Data, where the length of the Mac is 160 bits (20 bytes).

`sha_mac_96(Key, Data) -> Mac`

Types:

- Key = Data = `iolist()` | `binary()`
- Mac = `binary()`

Computes an SHA MAC message authentication code from Key and Data, where the length of the Mac is 96 bits (12 bytes).

`des_cbc_encrypt(Key, IVec, Text) -> Cipher`

Types:

- Key = Text = `iolist()` | `binary()`
- IVec = Cipher = `binary()`

Encrypts Text according to DES in CBC mode. Text must be a multiple of 64 bits (8 bytes). Key is the DES key, and IVec is an arbitrary initializing vector. The lengths of Key and IVec must be 64 bits (8 bytes).

`des_cbc_decrypt(Key, IVec, Cipher) -> Text`

Types:

- Key = Cipher = `iolist()` | `binary()`
- IVec = Text = `binary()`

Decrypts Cipher according to DES in CBC mode. Key is the DES key, and IVec is an arbitrary initializing vector. Key and IVec must have the same values as those used when encrypting. Cipher must be a multiple of 64 bits (8 bytes). The lengths of Key and IVec must be 64 bits (8 bytes).

`des3_cbc_encrypt(Key1, Key2, Key3, IVec, Text) -> Cipher`

Types:

- Key1 = Key2 = Key3 Text = `iolist()` | `binary()`

- `IVec = Cipher = binary()`

Encrypts `Text` according to DES3 in CBC mode. `Text` must be a multiple of 64 bits (8 bytes). `Key1`, `Key2`, `Key3`, are the DES keys, and `IVec` is an arbitrary initializing vector. The lengths of each of `Key1`, `Key2`, `Key3` and `IVec` must be 64 bits (8 bytes).

```
des3_cbc_decrypt(Key1, Key2, Key3, IVec, Cipher) -> Text
```

Types:

- `Key1 = Key2 = Key3 = Cipher = iolist() | binary()`
- `IVec = Text = binary()`

Decrypts `Cipher` according to DES3 in CBC mode. `Key1`, `Key2`, `Key3` are the DES key, and `IVec` is an arbitrary initializing vector. `Key1`, `Key2`, `Key3` and `IVec` must and `IVec` must have the same values as those used when encrypting. `Cipher` must be a multiple of 64 bits (8 bytes). The lengths of `Key1`, `Key2`, `Key3`, and `IVec` must be 64 bits (8 bytes).

## DES in CBC mode

The Data Encryption Standard (DES) defines an algorithm for encrypting and decrypting an 8 byte quantity using an 8 byte key (actually only 56 bits of the key is used).

When it comes to encrypting and decrypting blocks that are multiples of 8 bytes various modes are defined (FIPS 81). One of those modes is the Cipher Block Chaining (CBC) mode, where the encryption of an 8 byte segment depend not only of the contents of the segment itself, but also on the result of encrypting the previous segment: the encryption of the previous segment becomes the initializing vector of the encryption of the current segment.

Thus the encryption of every segment depends on the encryption key (which is secret) and the encryption of the previous segment, except the first segment which has to be provided with a first initializing vector. That vector could be chosen at random, or be counter of some kind. It does not have to be secret.

The following example is drawn from the FIPS 81 standard, where both the plain text and the resulting cipher text is settled. We use the Erlang bitsyntax to define binary literals. The following Erlang code fragment returns `true`.

```
Key = <<16#01,16#23,16#45,16#67,16#89,16#ab,16#cd,16#ef>>,
IVec = <<16#12,16#34,16#56,16#78,16#90,16#ab,16#cd,16#ef>>,
P = "Now is the time for all ",
C = crypto:des_cbc_encrypt(K, I, P),
C == <<16#e5,16#c7,16#cd,16#de,16#87,16#2b,16#f2,16#7c,
    16#43,16#e9,16#34,16#00,16#8c,16#38,16#9c,16#0f,
    16#68,16#37,16#88,16#49,16#9a,16#7c,16#05,16#f6>>,
<<"Now is the time for all ">> ==
    crypto:des_cbc_decrypt(Key,IVec,C).
```

The following is true for the DES CBC mode. For all decompositions  $P_1 \oplus P_2 = P$  of a plain text message  $P$  (where the length of all quantities are multiples of 8 bytes), the encryption  $C$  of  $P$  is equal to  $C_1 \oplus C_2$ , where  $C_1$  is obtained by encrypting  $P_1$  with  $Key$  and the initializing vector  $IV_{ec}$ , and where  $C_2$  is obtained by encrypting  $P_2$  with  $Key$  and the initializing vector  $l(C_1)$ , where  $l(B)$  denotes the last 8 bytes of the binary  $B$ .

Similarly, for all decompositions  $C_1 \oplus C_2 = C$  of a cipher text message  $C$  (where the length of all quantities are multiples of 8 bytes), the decryption  $P$  of  $C$  is equal to  $P_1 \oplus P_2$ , where  $P_1$  is obtained by decrypting  $C_1$  with  $Key$  and the initializing vector  $IV_{ec}$ , and where  $P_2$  is obtained by decrypting  $C_2$  with  $Key$  and the initializing vector  $l(C_1)$ , where  $l(\cdot)$  is as above.

For DES3 (which uses three 64 bit keys) the situation is the same.



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